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I. **REMARKS:** 

A. Status of the Claims

The application was originally filed with claims 1-18. Claims 1-18 are subject to a

Restriction Requirement mailed October 7, 2005. No claims are added, amended or canceled

herein. Therefore, claims 1-18 remain pending.

**B.** Species Election

The Restriction Requirement states that the pending claims are directed to a number

of patentably distinct species, comprising AIT-082, idebenone, ONO-2506, CB-1093, NS521,

eliprodil, and SR 57746A. It appears that the Examiner inadvertently omitted propentofylline

from the list of species included in the pending claims. Applicant elects the species of AIT-

082. For examination purposes, claims 1-5, 7-11, and 13-17 read on the elected species.

C. Conclusion

This is submitted to be a complete response to the outstanding Action.

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